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Dear Mr. Weisberg:

I have written to you in the past about how to obtain Kennedy assassination documents from the National Archives and the F.B.I. You gave me very helpful advice, and I hope you don't mind me writing to let you know of my progress.

First, enclosed please find copies of three letters. The first, dated July 6, 1992, is my letter to the National Archives. I sent a virtually identical letter to the F.B.I. The only difference is that Jack Ruby's autopsy report was included in my letter to the F.B.I. The second, dated July 17, 1992, is the reply I received from the F.B.I. The third, dated July 21, 1992, is the reply I received from the National Archives.

My first question is this: Notice the box that was checked on the reply from the F.B.I. Am I correct in understanding that this means they have received my request, but are not doing anything about it? It seems to me that if they were attempting to comply with my request, they would have marked the second-to-last box (which begins "We are currently searching the indices..."). If my assumption is correct, how should I proceed? Should I write another letter, making another, yet stronger, F.O.I.A. request?

Regarding the items on my letter to the Archives, my progress is as follows:

ITEM	PROGRESS
1	I have managed to order a copy of the Oswald autopsy from the Dallas County Medical Examiner. I am currently awaiting its delivery.
2	Available on microfilm (for $23) from the Archives.
3	Available on microfilm (for $23) from the Archives. This should also be available from the Dallas Medical Examiner. I am writing to them to inquire about it.
4	Available on paper from the Archives. I have ordered this, and am awaiting delivery.
5	Available on microfilm (for $23) from the Archives.
6	Available on audio cassette from the Archives. I have ordered this, and am awaiting delivery.

7 The only one of these films the Archives informed me they had available was the Orville Nix film. Before ordering it (for $57.25), I must obtain permission from Gayle Nix Jackson. The Archives furnished me with Ms. Jackson's address. Maybe in the future I will get this, but for now, it is a lot of money for me.

8 Available on microfilm (for $23) from the Archives.

(The Jack Ruby autopsy is available, as is the Oswald autopsy, from the Dallas Medical Examiner.)

All the items contained on microfilm are on four rolls. Therefore, I would have to spend a total of $92.00 to obtain them, when all I want is a few documents.

I feel that the Archives should have made these items available in paper format. I have written to the Deputy Archivist (as suggested in the Archives' July 21 letter), to explain my displeasure with their reply, for several reasons: I simply cannot afford $92 to purchase four rolls of microfilm, microfilm copying machines are not readily available, and where they are, (at the local library), they charge 25¢ per copy. And why should I have to pay twice for the same documents (first for the microfilm, and second for the paper copy)?

Mr. Weisberg, I want to express my greatest thanks for your help, and my hope for your good health.

As in my first letter to you, enclosed please find a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Sincerely,

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